#### UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

TRAVELERS CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY as Administrator for RELIANCE INSURANCE COMPANY,

Plaintiff,

VS.

DORMITORY AUTHORITY - STATE OF NEW YORK, TDX CONSTRUCTION CORP., and KOHN PEDERSEN FOX ASSOCIATES, P.C.,

Defendants.

Civil Action No.: 07-CV-6915

NOTICE OF MOTION FOR PRO HAC VICE ADMISSION OF JOANNE M. BONACCI, ESQ.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that upon the annexed Affidavit of JoAnne M. Bonacci, Esq., the exhibits attached thereto, the Affirmation of Sponsoring Counsel in support thereof, and upon all of the papers, pleadings, and proceedings hereto for had herein, the undersigned counsel for Plaintiff, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company as Administrator for Reliance Insurance Company (hereinafter "Travelers") shall move the United States District Court, Southern District of New York located at Foley Square, 500 Pearl Street, New York, New York on August 29, 2007, at 9:00 a.m. or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard, for an Order granting admission pro hac vice to JoAnne M. Bonacci, Esq., pursuant to Local Civil Rule 1.3(b) for purposes of representing Travelers in connection with the above-captioned matter.

Movant Travelers respectfully requests that this motion be decided on the papers.

Dated: Florham Park, New Jersey August 8, 2007

#### DREIFUSS, BONACCI & PARKER, LLP

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#### **AFFIRMATION OF SERVICE**

ELI J. ROGERS, ESQ., affirms under penalty of perjury, and pursuant to CPLR § 2106, as follows:

- 1. I am an attorney admitted to practice in the State of New York.
- 2. On this date I caused an original and two copies of the following:
  - a. Notice of Motion for <u>Pro Hac Vice</u> Admission of Joanne M. Bonacci, Esq., with Affirmation of Service;
  - b. Affidavit of Joanne M. Bonacci in Support of Travelers' Motion for <u>Pro</u> Hac Vice Admission of Joanne M. Bonacci, Esq.;
  - c. Affirmation of Sponsoring Counsel in Support Of Travelers' Motion For Pro Hac Vice Admission of Joanne M. Bonacci, Esq.; and
  - d. Proposed Form of Order

to be delivered to this Court for filing via Federal Express overnight delivery, and a copy of same to be served via Federal Express overnight delivery on all other parties via their respective counsel:

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New York, New York 10017 Tel. No.: 212-682-6800 Attorneys for Defendant, Kohn, Pederson, Fox & Associates, P.C.

3. Pursuant to CPLR § 2106, I affirm under penalty of perjury that the foregoing statements made by me are true, except those made upon information and belief, which I believe to be true.

Dated: Florham Park, New Jersey August 9, 2007 Eli J. Rogers, Esq.

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AFFIDAVIT OF SPONSORING COUNSEL IN SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR PRO HAC VICE ADMISSION OF JOANNE M. BONACCI, ESQ.

Civil Action No.: 07-CV-6915

STATE OF NEW JERSEY:

: ss.

COUNTY OF MORRIS :

**ELI J. ROGERS, ESQ.,** of full age, being duly sworn according to law, upon his oath, deposes and says:

- 1. I am associated with the law firm of Dreifuss Bonacci & Parker, LLP, counsel for Plaintiff Travelers Casualty and Surety Company as Administrator for Reliance Insurance Company ("Travelers") in the above-captioned matter. I am an attorney authorized to practice law before the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York. I make this Affirmation in support of Travelers' Motion for <a href="Pro Hac Vice">Pro Hac Vice</a> Admission of JoAnne M. Bonacci, Esq.
- 2. I wholeheartedly support this Application for <u>Pro Hac Vice</u> Admission for JoAnne M. Bonacci, Esq. I have worked with Ms. Bonacci for over three years and can affirm that she is a very capable attorney, knowledgeable in the substantive law of the State of New York and the procedural rules governing practice before the United States District Court for the

Southern District of New York, including the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the Local

Civil Rules for the Southern District of New York. Ms. Bonacci is exceptionally dedicated to

representing the clients' interests to the best of her ability, as well as to upholding ethical

standards of conduct.

3. Upon information and belief, Ms. Bonacci has represented construction

contractors, insurance companies and sureties in the context of construction and commercial

disputes for over twelve years. Plaintiff Travelers has specifically requested that Ms. Bonacci

litigate this action on its behalf.

4. Ms. Bonacci is of sound moral character. I am not aware of any disciplinary

actions against her in any jurisdiction.

5. Pursuant to CPLR § 2106, I affirm under penalty of perjury that the foregoing

statements made by me are true.

Eli J. Rogers, Esq.

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this

day of August, 2007.

Notary Public, State of New Jersey

RONNA GRUSKIN Notary Public of New Jersey I.D. # 54631

Commission Expires 10/14/2011

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: ss.

COUNTY OF MORRIS

AFFIDAVIT OF JOANNE M. BONACCI, ESQ. IN SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR PRO HAC VICE ADMISSION OF JOANNE M. BONACCI, ESQ.

Civil Action No.: 07-CV-6915

**JOANNE M. BONACCI, ESQ.**, of full age, being duly sworn according to law, upon her oath, deposes and says:

- 1. I am a partner of the law firm Dreifuss Bonacci & Parker, LLP, attorneys for Plaintiff, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company as Administrator for Reliance Insurance Company ("Travelers") in this matter. I am an attorney at law of the State of New Jersey and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. I make this Affidavit based upon personal knowledge and in support of Plaintiff Travelers' application for my admission <u>pro hac vice</u> before this Court.
- 2. I am duly admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of New Jersey and all other courts of the State of New Jersey. I have been an attorney at law in good standing in the State of New Jersey since I was admitted on June 6, 1991. A true and accurate original copy of my Certificate of Good Standing to practice before the Supreme Court of New Jersey and all other courts of the state of New Jersey is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.
- 3. I am also duly admitted to practice before the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey, and have been a member of the bar of said Court in good standing since I was admitted on

June 6, 1991. A true and accurate original copy of my Certificate of Good Standing to practice before the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey is attached hereto as **Exhibit B.** 

- 4. I am duly admitted to the Bar of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and have been a member of the Bar of Pennsylvania in good standing since I was admitted on December 13, 1990. A true and accurate original copy of my Certificate of Good Standing to practice before the Courts of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is attached hereto as **Exhibit C**.
- 5. I am also duly admitted to practice before the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, and have been a member of the Bar of said Court in good standing since I was admitted on November 12, 1993. A true and accurate original copy of my Certificate of Good Standing to practice before the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania is attached hereto as **Exhibit D.**
- 6. I am also duly admitted to practice before the United States District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania, and have been a member of the Bar of said Court in good standing since I was admitted approximately one month ago on July 2, 2007. Since the date of my admission, I have not entered an appearance in any action before the United States District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania. However, in the event the Court wishes me to provide a Certificate of Good Standing from the Western District, I will furnish same as soon as practicable.
- 7. If the Court requires more current Certificates of Good Standing than the Certificates attached hereto, I will apply for them and provide them to the Court within thirty days of the date hereof.
- 8. I am not currently suspended or disbarred from practice in any Court. No recommendations for discipline for professional or other misconduct have ever been made by a Disciplinary Board to the State of New Jersey, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or any of the other Courts before which I am admitted to practice. I hereby agree to notify this Court immediately of any matter affecting my standing at the bar of any other Court.
  - 9. I am familiar with the statutes, rules and procedures governing the practice of law in the

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State of New York and I affirm that I will abide by them. I am admitted <u>pro hac vice</u> on one other matter before the Supreme Court of the State of New York:

Premier New-York, Inc. v. Travelers Property Casualty Corp., et al.

Index No.: 603043/03

Date Admitted: January 25, 2005

Status of Action: Active (pre-Note of Issue)

County of Venue: New York

as well as one matter before the Appellate Division, Third Department of the Supreme Court of the State of New York:

Blue Heron Construction, LLC v. Fiberglass Structures & Tank Co., Inc., et al.

Index No.: CA-07-01009

Date Admitted: Pending Status of Action: Active

County of Venue: Third Department (Monroe County)

10. Travelers respectfully requests that I be admitted <u>pro hac vice</u> to pursue their rights in this case. I am thoroughly familiar with construction litigation, New York Lien Law, and the Uniform Commercial Code, as I have represented construction contractors and sureties in dozens of matters arising from a construction/commercial context. Furthermore, Plaintiff Travelers has specifically requested that I handle this action on its behalf.

JOANNE M. BONACCI, ESQ.

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this  $\frac{4}{5}t$  day of August, 2007.

Notary Public, State of New Jersey

Attachey- at-Law, States of N.J. & N.Y.

# Supreme Court of New Jersey



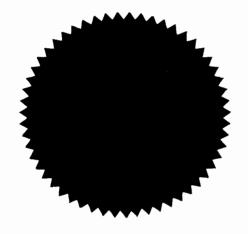
# Certificate of Good Standing

This is to certify that JOANNE M BONACCI

(No. 006241991 ) was constituted and appointed an Attorney at Law of New Jersey on June 06, 1991 and, as such, has been admitted to practice before the Supreme Court and all other courts of this State as an Attorney at Law, according to its laws, rules, and customs.

I further certify that as of this date, the above-named is an Attorney at Law in Good Standing. For the purpose of this Certificate, an attorney is in "Good Standing" if the Court's records reflect that the attorney: 1) is current with all assessments imposed as a part of the filing of the annual Attorney Registration Statement, including, but not limited to, all obligations to the New Jersey Lawyers' Fund for Client Protection; 2) is not suspended or disbarred from the practice of law; 3) has not resigned from the Bar of this State; and 4) has not been transferred to Disability Inactive status pursuant to Rule 1:20-12.

Please note that this Certificate does not constitute confirmation of an attorney's satisfaction of the administrative requirements of Rule 1:21-1(a) for eligibility to practice law in this State.



In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of the Supreme Court, at Trenton, this 6TH day of August , 20 07

Clerk of the Supreme Court

# Aertificate of Good Standing



## United States of America

# District of New Jersey

I, WILLIAM T. WALSH, Clerk of the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey, do hereby certify that:

# Jo Anne M. Bonacci

was duly admitted to practice in said Court as of June 6, 1991, and is in good standing as a member of the Bar of said Court.

Dated at Newark, New Jersey on: August 6, 2007

WILLIAM T. WALSH, CLERK

Carey P. Carlisle, Deputy Clerk



## Supreme Court of Pennsylvania

### **CERTIFICATE OF GOOD STANDING**

JoAnne Marie Bonacci, Esq.

#### DATE OF ADMISSION

December 13, 1990

The above named attorney was duly admitted to the bar of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and is now a qualified member in good standing.



Witness my hand and official seal Dated: August 7, 2007

Patricia A. Johnson Chief Clerk

#### CERTIFICATE OF GOOD STANDING

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

I, Michael E. Kunz, Clerk of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania,

DO HEREBY CERTIFY That JoAnne M. Bonacci, Bar # 59392, was duly admitted to practice in said Court on November 12, 1993, and is in good standing as a member of the bar of said Court.

DATED at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

MICHAEL E. KUNZ

Clerk of Court

on August 6, 2007.

Aida Ayala,

Deputy Clerk

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ORDER OF ADMISSION PRO HAC VICE

JoAnne M. Bonacci, Esq., having applied to this court for admission <u>pro hac vice</u> to represent Travelers Casualty and Surety Company as Administrator for Reliance Insurance Company (hereinafter "Travelers") in this case, and said applicant having submitted in support thereof an affirmation of Eli J. Rogers, Esq., a member of the Bar of the State of New York and attorney for Travelers in this matter; an affidavit of the applicant; and Certificates of Good Standing from the jurisdictions in which the applicant was admitted to the practice of law; and the Court having reviewed the foregoing submissions and due deliberations having been had, it is now therefore,

**ORDERED** that the application is granted, and JoAnne M. Bonacci, Esq., is permitted to appear and to participate in this case on behalf of Travelers; and it is further

**ORDERED** that she shall at all times be associated herein with counsel who is a member in good standing of the Bar of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York and is attorney of record for the party in question and all pleadings, briefs and other papers filed with the court shall be signed by the attorney of record, who shall be held responsible for

such papers and for the conduct of this action; and it is further

ORDERED that, pursuant to Local Civil Rule 3.1(c), the attorney hereby admitted <u>prohac vice</u> shall abide by the Rules of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, including all disciplinary rules; and it is further

**ORDERED** that said counsel shall notify the court immediately of any matter or event in this or any other jurisdiction which affects Ms. Bonacci's standing as a member of the Bar; and it is further

ORDERED that a copy of this Order shall be served upon all parties and/or counsel for	
all parties within days of counsel for Plain	ntiff's receipt hereof.
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